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SY CHANNEL ATHENS FOR RSO; FRANKFURT FOR RSS FROM SAS

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SUBJECT: ALLEGED STATE DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM INTRODUCED INTO GREEK PARLIMENT

REF: ATHENS 2205; ATHENS 2206

1. SAS IS INTERESTED IN THE RECENT INTRODUCTION OF AN ALLEGED STATE DEPARTMENT CABLE IN THE GREEK PARLIMENT. WE ARE COORDINATING THIS MATTER WITH THE GREEK DESK. OUR INTEREST IS PRIMARILY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE DOCUMENT IS LEGITIMATE AND IF SO HOW IT CAME INTO PAPANDREOU'S POSSESSION. PRELIMINARY INQUIRIES INDICATE THAT THE CABLE IS A FORGERY. HOWEVER, WE ARE CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY THE DOCUMENT. IF THE TELEGRAM IS IN FACT BOGUS ITS INTRODUCTION IN THE GREEK PARLIMENT COULD WELL BE PART OF A HOSTILE INTELLIGENCE DISINFORMATION EFFORT. IT IS OUR
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UNDERSTANDING THAT PAPANDREOU PROVIDED THE PRESIDENT OF THE GREEK PARLIMENT WITH A PHOTOCOPY OF THE TELEGRAM. FYI: SOVIET DISINFORMATION EFFORTS RELY HEAVILY UPON THE USE OF PHOTOCOPIED MATERIAL. WE WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN LOCAL VIEWS CONCERNING THIS THEORY.

2. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE EMBASSY IS MAKING

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EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE ORIGINAL PHOTOCOPY WHICH WAS PROVIDED BY PAPANDREOU TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE GREEK PARLIMENT. IF OBTAINED, THIS DOCUMENT SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT AS IT WILL ASSIST GREATLY IN ANALYSIS. WE ARE CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS TO DETERMINE THE LEGITIMACY OF THE TELEGRAM AND ARE COORDINATING THIS MATTER WITH OTHER INTERESTED AGENCIES.

3. WE WILL ADVISE YOU OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS AND WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED OF INFORMATION COMING TO YOUR ATTENTION. COOPER

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